



**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED
EXAMINING GROUP 1712
PATENT**

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Isabella BARA) Group Art Unit: 1712
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Application No.: 09/763,085) Examiner: Daniel S. Metzmaier
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PCT filed: June 8, 2000)
National Stage Entry: April 30, 2001) **Mail Stop AF**
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For: SOLID AQUEOUS GEL COMPRISING A)
HYDROPHILIC GELLING AGENT, A)
CELLULOSE DERIVATIVE AND AT)
LEAST ONE PIGMENT AND/OR)
PEARLESCENT AGENT, AND)
METHODS FOR ITS USE)

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

In reply to the final Office Action mailed June 4, 2003, the period for reply having been extended by a request for extension of two months and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, and in view of the Request for Continued Examination being filed concurrently herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks start on page 12 and follow the amendment sections of this paper.

There are 4 attachments to this Amendment; a certified translation of the French Language priority document; and U.S. Patent Nos. 6,589,519, 6,599,328 and 6,589,538.

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